

# *Transiting Exoplanet Survey Satellite*



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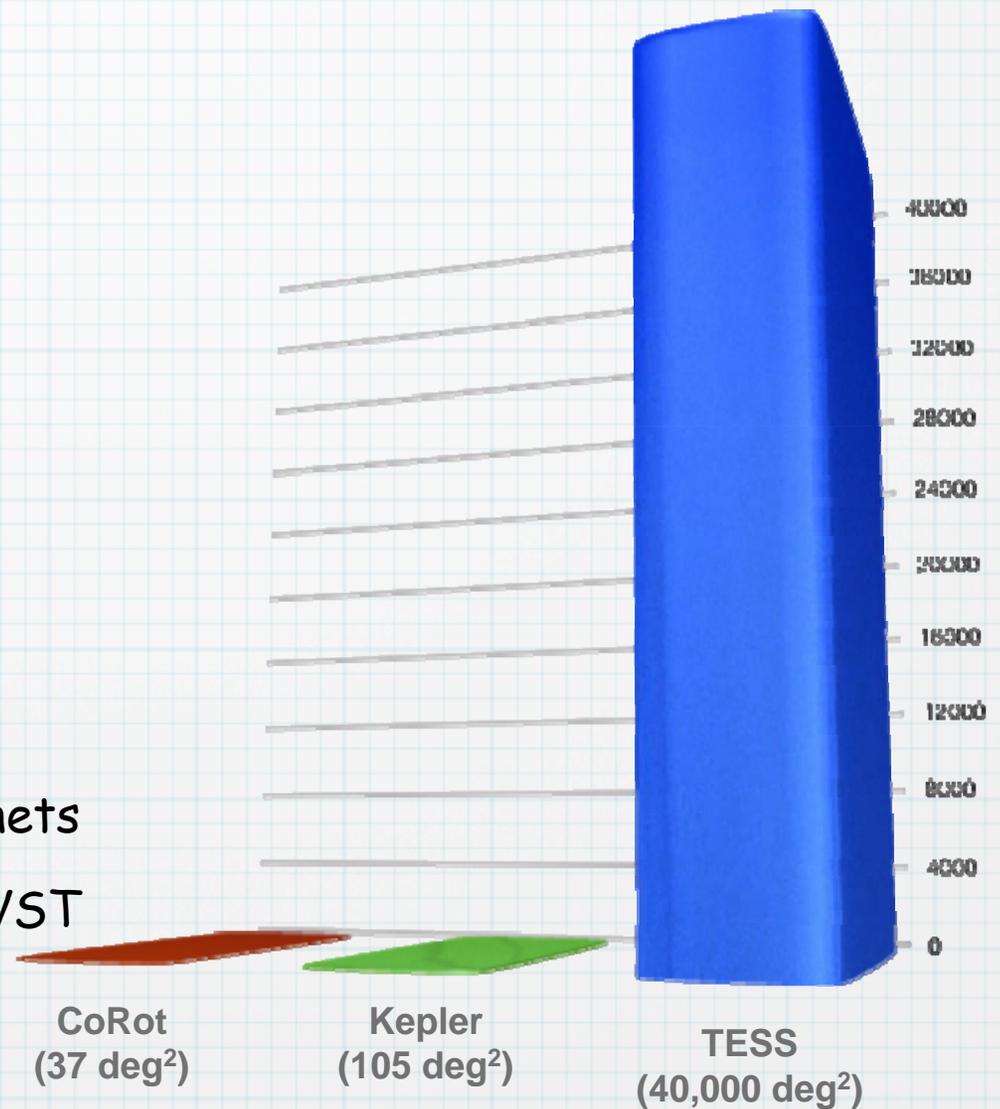
# TESS Goals

## \* Bright Stars!

- \* FGK dwarfs:  $V = 4.5 - 13.5$
- \* M dwarfs:  $I < +13$

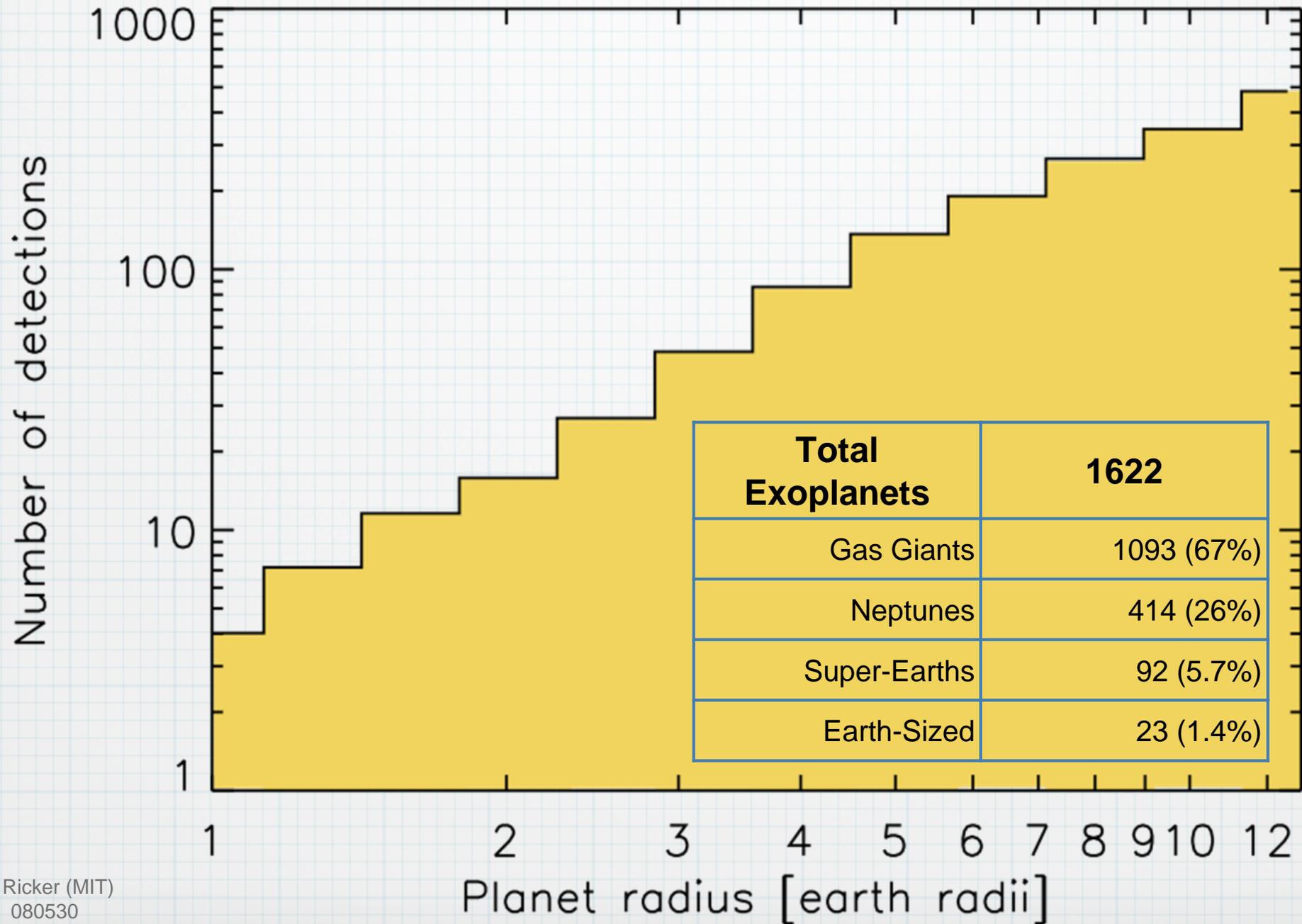
## \* All Sky Survey

- \* 40,000 deg<sup>2</sup>
- \* 2,500,000 target stars
- \* Identify ~1000 transiting planets
- \* Nearest and brightest for JWST
- \* Proposed Jan 2012 launch

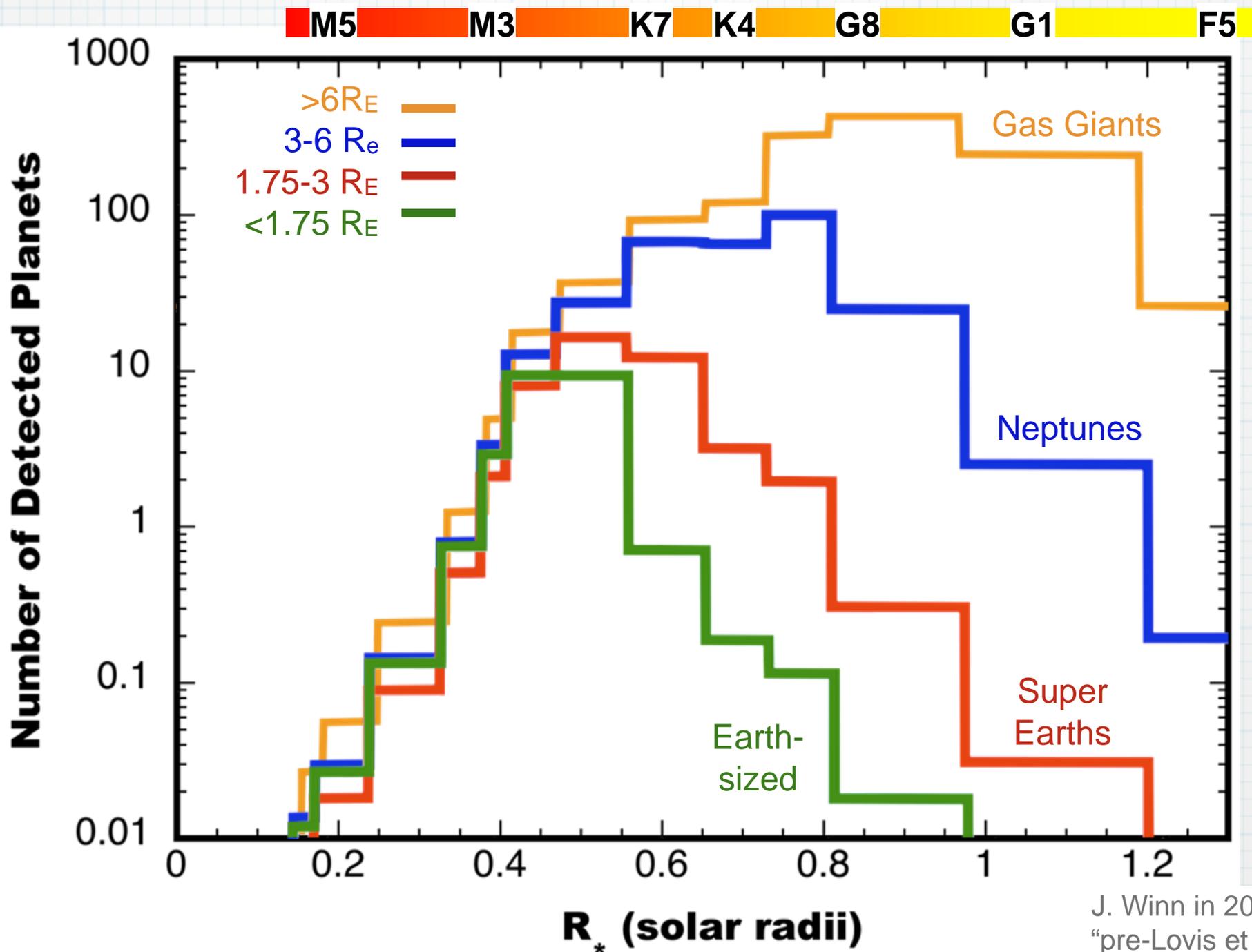


Mission Sky Coverage

# Census of TESS detections vs. planetary radius



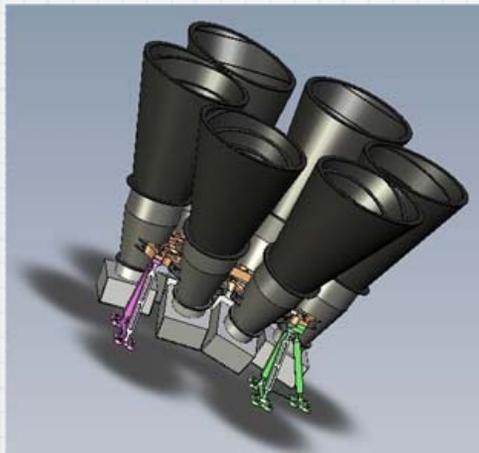
# TESS Detections by Stellar Type



# TESS Mission Design



TESS  
"all-dressed up"

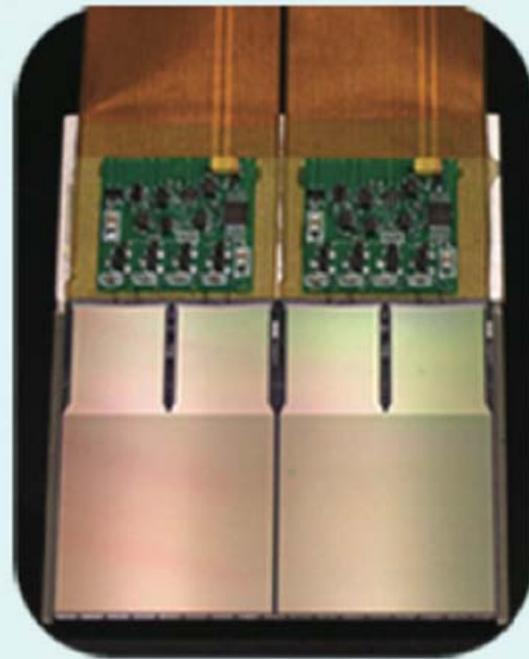
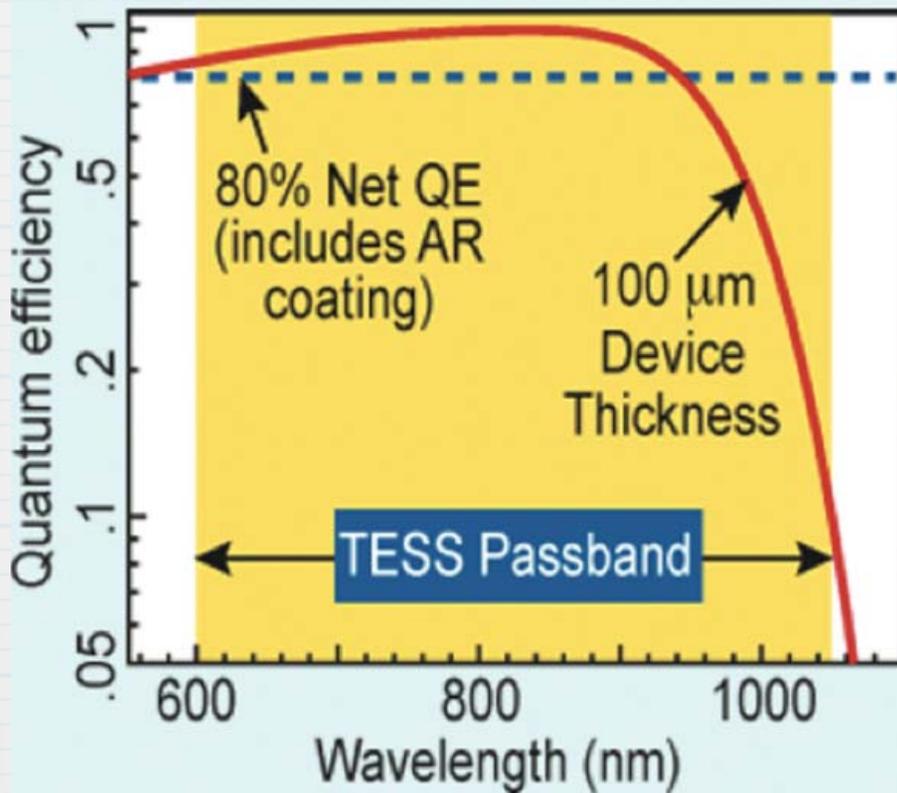


Six Camera Ass'y

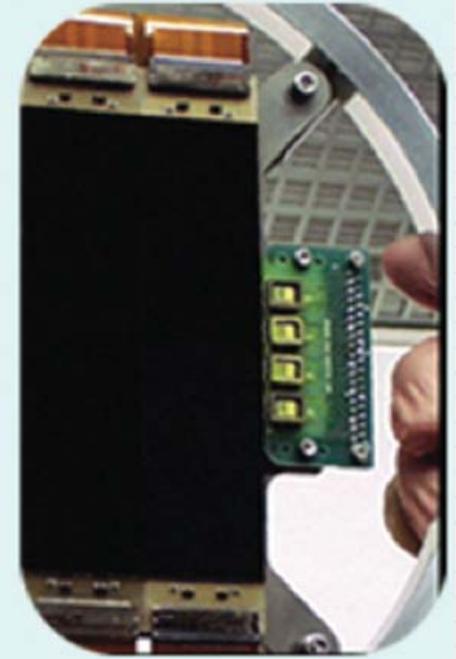
TESS Characteristic	Value or Range
CCD Detectors	Quad MIT/LL CCID-47s (4096x4096 imaging array @ 15 $\mu$ m/pixel)
CCD Mode	Shutterless: 1 s integrate, 2 ms frame transfer
CCD Space Flight History	6 years operation on HETE-2 (as CCID-20) Very low hot pixel rate in equatorial orbit
Lens Design	Petzval 6 element
Lens Aperture	12.7 cm
Pixel Scale	16.3" pixel <sup>-1</sup>
Camera Field-of-View	18° x 18°
Number of Cameras	6
Ensemble Field-of-View	54° x 36° = 1944 deg <sup>2</sup>
Pass Band	600-1000 nm
Sensitivity (I band)	I = 11.7 (600s integration, S/N = 1000)
Photometric Precision (1 $\sigma$ )	190 $\mu$ mag at I=+8 in 600s
Data Downlink Rate	10 Gbytes day <sup>-1</sup>
Launch Date	2012
Survey Duration	2 years for All Sky

# MIT/LL CCDs Selected for TESS

- **MIT/LL CCID20 variant:** 4K x 4K imager; 15  $\mu\text{m}$  x 15  $\mu\text{m}$  pixels
- **Live Time:** >99%
  - 1s integration
  - Frame store with 2ms transfer
- **Flight qualified on HETE-2**
  - Very low hot pixel rate in equatorial orbit



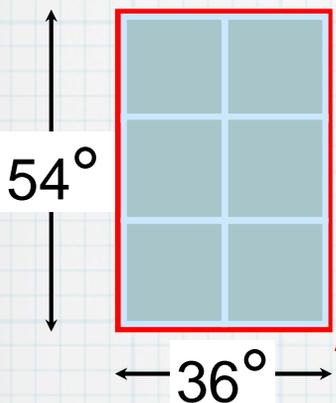
Dual CCDs with Hybrid Video Circuits



2 x 2 Arrays of MIT/LL CCID20 Sensors

# TESS "Stare & Step" Survey

Array of  
Six Cameras

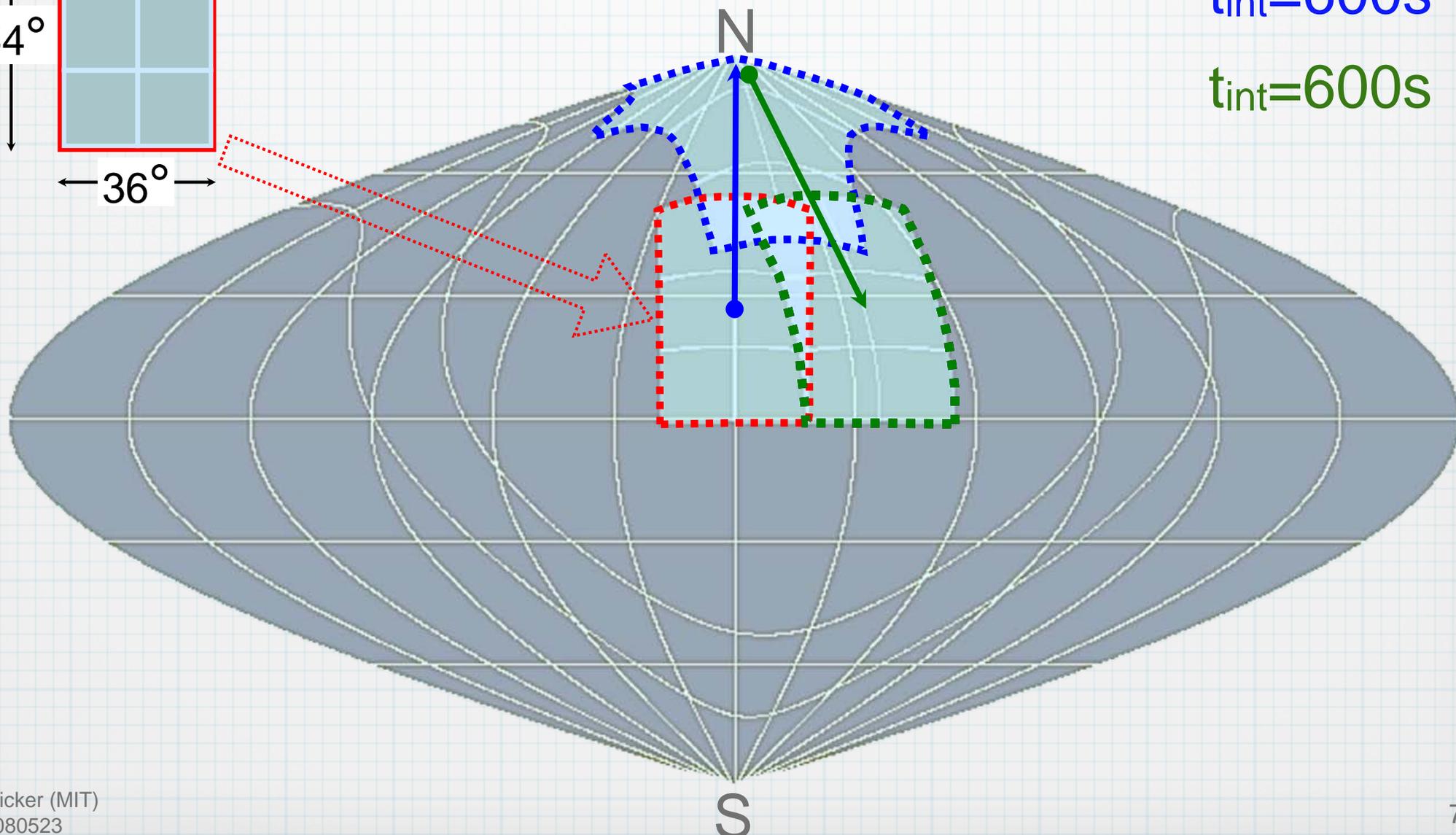


Sky Coverage:  
~6000 sq. deg. per 96 min orbit

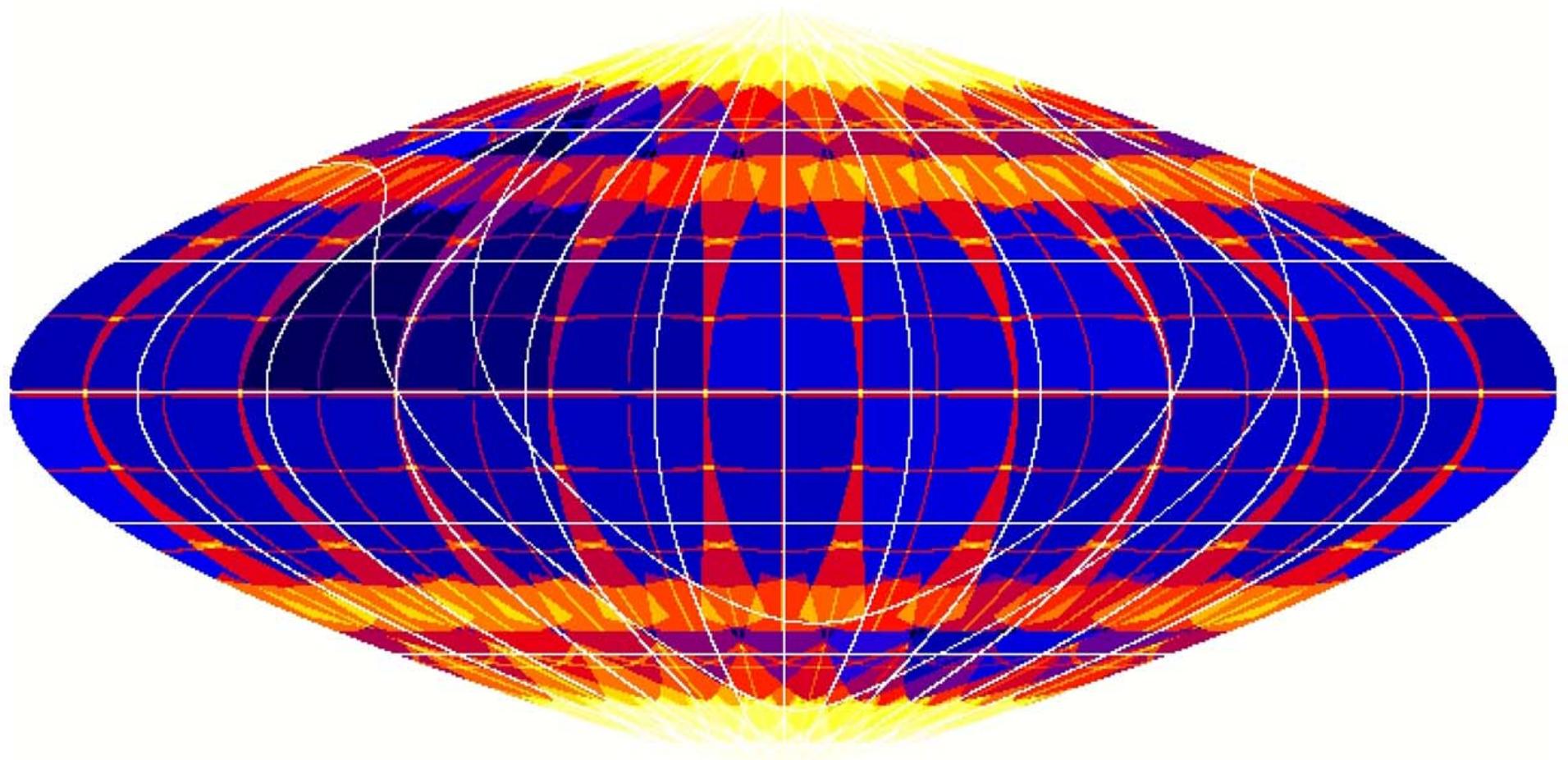
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# TESS 2 yr Sky Coverage in Celestial Coordinates



$2 \times 10^5$

$1 \times 10^6$

$2 \times 10^6$

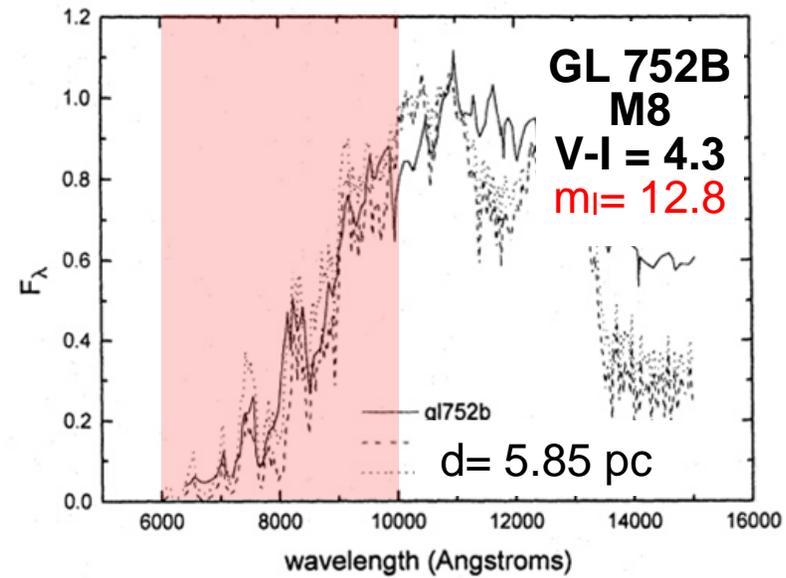
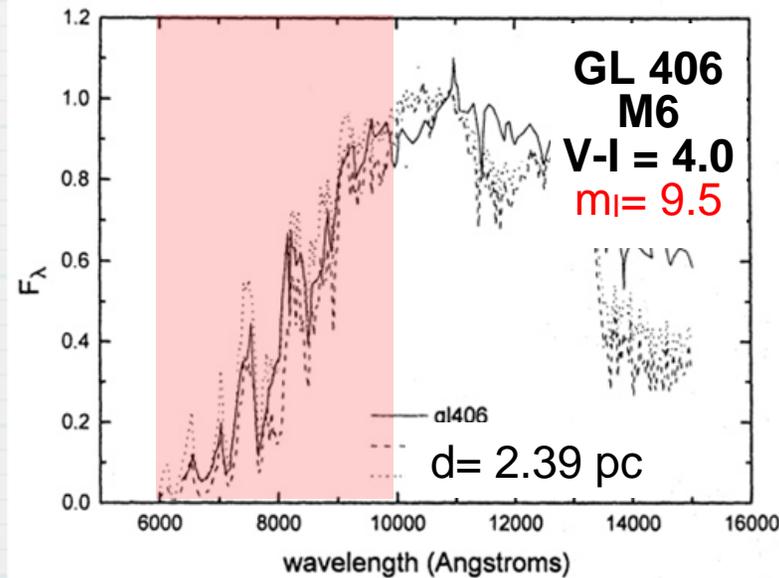
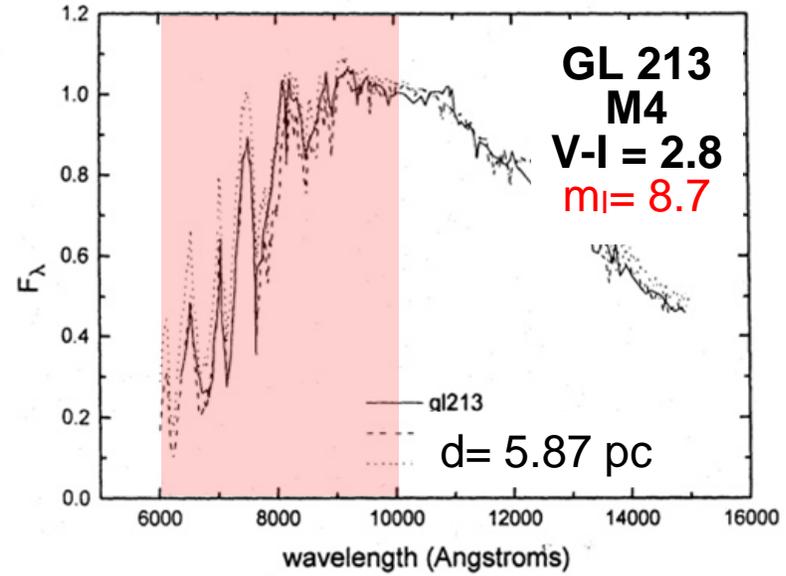
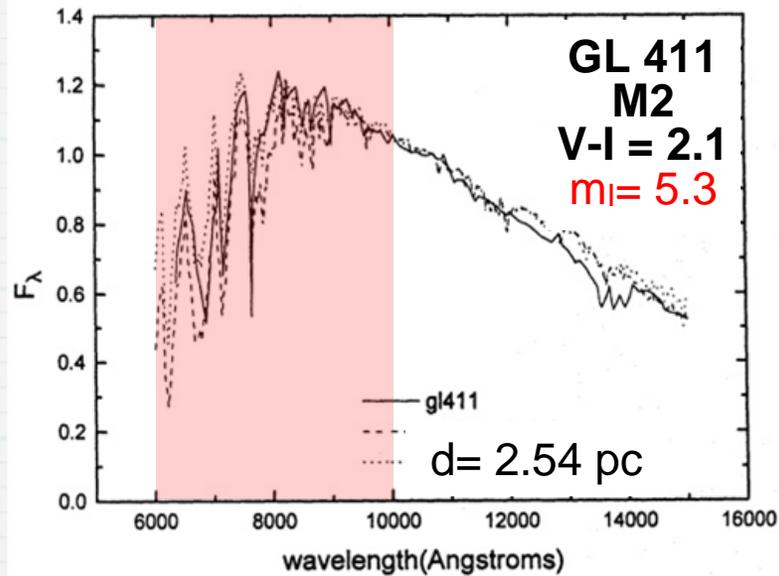
$3 \times 10^6$

$5 \times 10^6$

## total time of exposure (in seconds) in a Two Year Mission

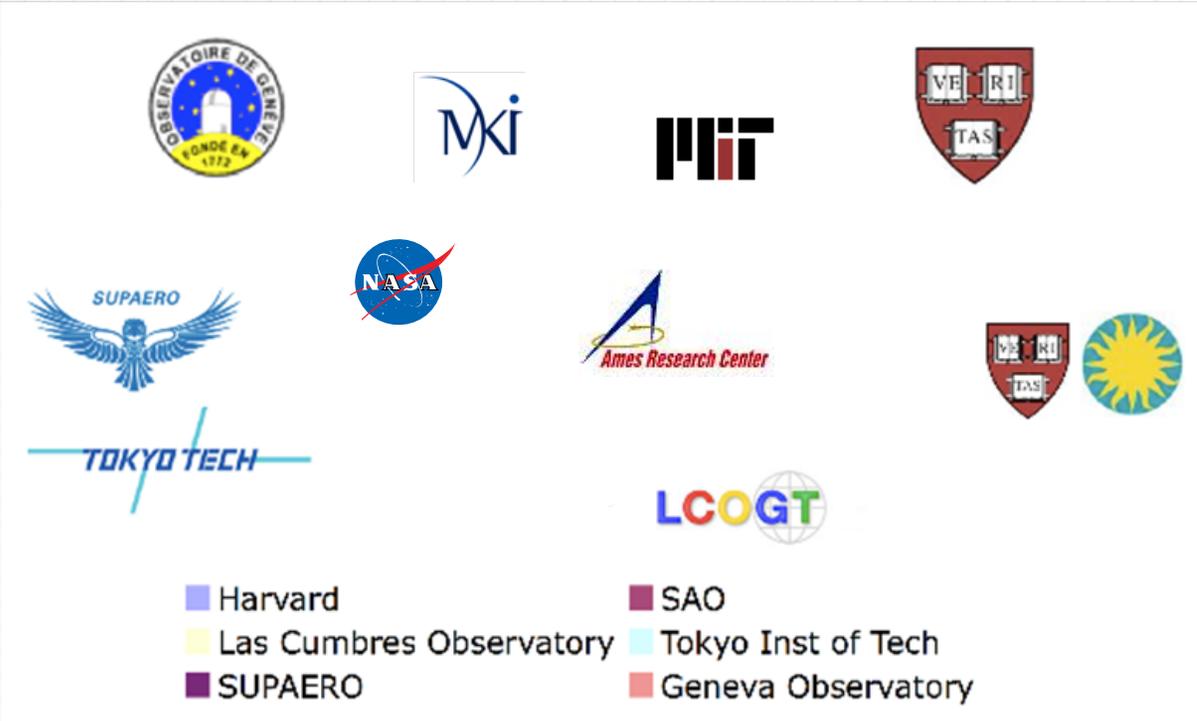
The TESS pointing strategy results in the exposure map shown here. Plotted are the total time of exposure (in seconds) of each part of the celestial sphere during the baseline two-year TESS mission as a function of right ascension (horizontal axis) and declination. The two curved white lines indicate a  $\pm 10^\circ$  band along the Galactic Equator.

# M Dwarf Spectra & TESS Passband



# TESS Follow Up Plans & Contributors

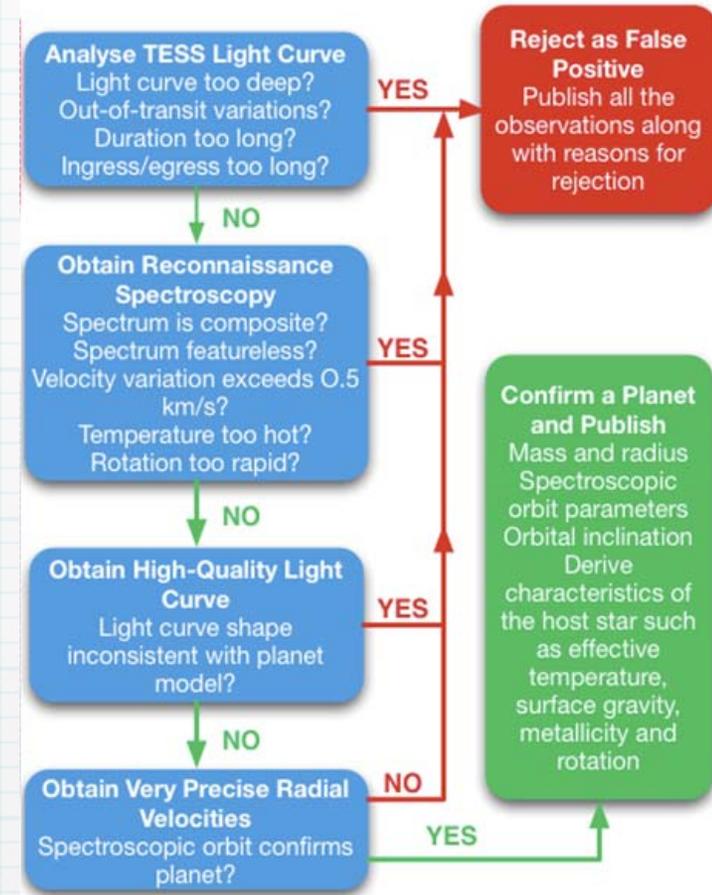
## Contributors



## Observing Facilities

- LCOGT (1m x 18; 0.4m x 40)
- FLWO (1.5m + TRES)
- Euler (1m + Coralie)
- Magellan (6.5m x 2)
- HARPS-S
- HARPS-NEF

## Followup Decision Tree



We hope you agree that TESS  
should have a high priority

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